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## BTC reelects Childers; Miller service praised

The Building Trades Council this week reelected J. L. Childers, Plasterers 112, as business representative for a third term of three years, paid high tribute to the devoted service given the organization by J. S. (Blackie) Millers, Painters 127, retiring president, and installed President Joseph Pruss, Sheet Metal Workers 216, and other new officers.

Of the 123 votes cast, 75 went to Childers for business representative, and 48 to Hugh S. Rutledge, Painters 127.

Childers after the installation just before the meeting closed, said:

"I hope that the division shown by the figures on the blackboard will not appear in the future, especially during the coming year, which is the year of all years when we must all work together to prevent the enemies of labor from injuring us."

Pruss, who at the preceding meeting had been nominated without opposition for president, Miller having expressed the wish to retire, told the delegates that he would try to give the council as devoted service as Miller had given through the years he had served in the office.

"I hope," said Pruss, "that I shall so conduct the office as to deserve the fine cooperation which you have always given President Miller."

Chester Bartalini, Carpenters 36, spoke earnestly of the respect and liking for Miller which he had come to feel through observ-

ing his conduct as chairman of the council meetings.

"I have not had a great deal of contact with Brother Miller outside of this council room," said Bartalini, "but certainly through observing him as chairman I have realized with what devotion he has served us."

There were 143 delegates eligible to vote from the 43 local unions affiliated with the council.

The only contest other than that for business representative was for the 5 trustees, 6 candidates having been nominated at the previous meeting. Four of these were declared elected by white ballot cast by Secretary John Davy: Joe Souza, William Ward, Bruce Dillshaw, and Louis A. Fuller.

But since the two remaining candidate, Charles Garoni of Linoleum Layers 1290 and Wiley Mountjoy of Hayward Painters 1178 belong to the same international, they were voted on, Garoni getting 96 votes and Mountjoy 49. Under the constitution, two members of the same international cannot hold office as trustees.

Officers installed besides those already mentioned were: Al Thomas, Carpenters 36, vice president. John Davy Steamfitters 342, secretary. Bert Oas, Laborers 304, sergeant-at-arms.

Law & Legislative Committee: The following five will constitute the Law & Legislative Committee: Bill Norman, Hod Car-

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## KNOWLAND WAILS THAT JOHN KING IS A LABOR MAN

The Knowland forces made it plain this week what line they intend to follow in the effort to capture the Governorship and put over the "right to work" initiative measure in the November election.

They will try to scare the living hades out of the Democrats by telling them over and over that some kind of mysterious animal called a "labor Socialist" is creeping into the Democratic Party and is going to set up a dictatorship, or something.

J. Marcus Hardin, before he was reelected chairman of the GOP in Alameda county, sounded off repeatedly along that line. As reported in the July 11 East Bay Labor Journal, Hardin just before he was reelected GOP chairman, issued a press release solemnly trumpeting the declaration that "many, otherwise complacent leaders in the county realize, as the result of the primary election returns, just how far socialistic leaders have infiltrated the Democratic Party, and that the threat to our personal freedom and free enterprise is very real. This fact, I might say, is also suddenly being realized by thinking Democrats."

And the day Hardin was reelected GOP chairman to continue trumpeting this line, a shocking thing occurred which set the Knowland organ to emitting the loud roars of a wounded elephant. It seems that a man named John J. King of the Machinists was elected chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee!

All the overwhelmed weakness of the expiring Knowland machine went into feeble action to meet the dire emergency.

On page 1 of the Knowland organ July 9 the dread news was revealed to a terrified public: "Labor Leader New County Demo Chief."

Dave Hope, chief political boomerang-hurler for the Knowland organ, was at once assigned to work on the problem. By Monday he had scratched his head long enough to emerge with a think-piece on the editorial page headed "Labor Leaders and County Democratic Body."

Hope tinkled the tocsin to the effect that the dirty Democrats—or rather, the nice honest clean Democrats who are being bamboozled by those terrible labor infiltrators—are not only trying to capture partisan offices, but other offices which, he tearfully declares, have "for more than 40 years... been nonpartisan." By which he means that most of them have been held by anti-labor Republicans ever since Cal Coolidge was a kid.

Just why our hardheaded labor people are called "Socialists" by the GOP one doesn't know, except on the assumption that

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## REPORT

### To Our Reader - Owners

#### HE'S LOST HIS JOB

The union to which the present writer is proud to belong lost recently a case which had gone to arbitration. A member of the Newspaper Guild was fired a year ago, immediately after he had cited the well known constitutional amendments, declaring to the House Un-American Activities Committee that he would not answer questions on "my past political beliefs and associations."

He knew, of course, that if he went a certain way answering the committee's questions he would then be asked to act as an informer concerning past political associates, and if he refused to do so would be cited for contempt.

He did tell the committee flatly, however, that "I am not now a member of the Communist Party nor am I in sympathy with it." So the Guild's Representative Assembly voted unanimously to hire a good attorney and fight the case out before an arbitrator. Many of us had known the reporter for years, knew his past, knew his present, and had every reason to believe what his future would be so far as political attitudes were concerned. It might be added that certainly when he had been hired a few years before by the Examiner the editors knew all this about him as well. If they didn't they were a lot more ignorant and unalert to what's going on than most Hearst editors are.

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#### UNFAIR TO ADAMS

The only thing we can figure that the Un-American Activities Committee achieved in this instance was to get a man cut off from his livelihood who had learned his lesson and was prepared to be a good American citizen the rest of his life.

These Congressional committees! Just the other day the one that is investigating the relations between Goldfine and Adams permitted the most outrageous hearsay to be dumped publicly into the record, which was totally unfair to Adams.

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#### MCCARTHYISM LIVES

McCarthyism is not dead. Neither a reporter on a newspaper nor an assistant to the President of the United States is safe, even yet, after all the supposed death of McCarthyism, from unfair treatment by a committee of Congress.

## OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

## July 28 meet to plan fight on 'work' law

The Central Labor Council voted this week to cancel its meeting of Monday, July 28, so that the delegates can participate in a meeting on that date in Hall M of the Labor Temple at which the program for the campaign against the "right to work" initiative measure, Proposition No. 18, will be outlined.

All delegates from both the Central Labor Council and the Building Trades Council, with all officers and stewards of the unions affiliated with both councils are to attend.

CLC Assistant Secretary Arthur Hellender, outlining the plans for the meeting in the unavoidable absence of Secretary Robert S. Ash, said that the special committee from the two councils which is conducting the campaign against No. 18, realizes that much money will be needed to wage the fight.

"But it won't do any good to have good union buildings and offices if the 'right to work' measure passes," said Hellender, "and those unions which realize this will realize that it's a good investment for them to put money into this campaign against the compulsory open shop."

Hellender said that the Auto Workers have assigned Jack Tobler to work full time in the campaign for the duration, that the Commercial Telegraphers Local was the first union to avail itself of the precinct lists against which union membership can be checked to determine how many are registered, and that already 30 union people have volunteered to act as deputy registrars.

A meeting has been held with leaders of the Democrats in both the 7th and 8th Congressional Districts to coordinate labor's efforts with theirs in the registration campaign.

Volunteers are needed, said Hellender, to break down the

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## BTC, CLC, ALL AFFILIATES OFFICERS AND STEWARDS TO HOLD RW MEET JULY 28

There will be no meeting of the Central Labor Council Monday, July 28. Instead, there will be a meeting on that date at 8 p.m. to discuss the fight against "right to work" in Hall M of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez street, to be attended by all delegates of the Building Trades Council and the Central Labor Council, and all paid officers and shop stewards of all unions affiliated with both councils.

## Store Clerk, Steel Machinist, Office Union strike sanction

The Central Labor Council this week granted strike sanction and appointed committees to assist the unions involved in the following cases:

• Department and Specialty Store Employees against AGE Incorporated, the big discount house with several stores.

• Steel Machinists 1304 against the Todd and Moore shipyards.

• Office Employees 29 against the Kaiser hospital.

The report of the executive committee, on the basis of which the sanctions were voted, showed:

AGE Incorporated has refused to negotiate a new contract with Local 1256 to succeed the one which expired in April.

The issues in the shipyard dispute include not only wages but seniority and other matters. Steel Machinists 1304 contend that wages in the yards remain below those of workers in the

same craft uptown. The companies claim that they cannot violate the general shipyard pattern along the coast.

In the dispute between Office Employees 29 and Kaiser hospital management wages are the main issue. The union is asking an increase of 15 cents an hour and the management claims this out of line with the amount paid by other hospitals.

After the executive committee report had been read one delegate asked what patients were to do if a picket line was set up at the hospital. Many labor unions are members of the Kaiser health plan.

CLC President Al Brown pointed out that a picket line had been set up by the union a couple of years before in a dispute with the hospital, and that at the time it was generally understood that if a patient seriously needed to enter the hospital, the pickets would provide for the emergency.

## 62 firms lock out Glaziers

Sixty-two firms belonging to the Glass Management Association have locked out the members of the three Glaziers locals in Alameda County, San Francisco, and Santa Clara County.

Bob Kerr, business representative of Glaziers & Glass Workers 169 here, said that there are about 120 men locked out in Alameda County, working for 22 firms.

The lockout began Friday of last week, after two firms in San Francisco had been struck and picketed. All members of the

management group promptly shut down.

Negotiations held in San Francisco brought in representatives of both the Labor Council and the Building Trades Council there.

Kerr says that in 1940 the Glaziers, Painters, Carpenters, and Sheet Metal Workers all got \$1.25 per hour. Now, however, he says the Glaziers are 26 cents behind the Carpenters, 31 cents behind the Painters, and 53 cents behind the Sheet Metal Workers.

## Ash at funeral of his father-in-law

Central Labor Council Secretary Robert S. Ash was unable to attend the CLC meeting this week, as he was in Los Angeles attending the funeral of his father-in-law, Mr. Lewis, who died Friday.

Assistant Secretary Arthur Hellender made the report for the staff at the meeting. Assistant Secretary Richard Groulx was attending a community meeting elsewhere.

**Register, get your friends registered to vote to save your union in November!**



# HOW TO BUY

## Up-to-date 'low cost' budget

By **SIDNEY MARGOLIUS**  
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

After almost two years of steady inflation, what does it cost you to live these days?

In the average U.S. city, which happens now to be Pittsburgh, you can figure that this summer a moderate standard of living takes about \$88.90 a week for four persons, not including any savings or reserve against emergency. The cost ranges from \$82.11 in Scranton, Pa., to \$94.27 in San Francisco. These figures include income and Social Security taxes.

This department's living-cost consultant has brought up to date the budget standard for a family of four developed by the Community Council of Greater New York, and adjusted it to other major cities. This mythical family consists of an employed father, a housewife, boy of 13 and girl of 8.

This is only a minimum budget, not an "ideal" one. To live on it requires careful shopping for low prices. For example, the budget provides enough pounds of meat, but only "an endless round of the cheaper cuts." Families with enough income to finance this level of living usually can pay their bills but can't meet such emergency situations as catastrophic illness. The budget lets Papa buy an overcoat once every three years, and Mama a coat every other year. But it doesn't allow for a car, and provides for only a rented four-room apartment.

While this budget does maintain health and decency, it also fits what one reader, union-member Bob Mack, calls "steady poverty."

And modest as it is, the average wage-earner in many cities can't even afford this budget. One noticeable fact is that high wages do not cause high living costs in a locality, as is sometimes claimed. Using New York as our reference point, living costs in lower-paying cities are as high or even higher than New York. Similarly, costs in high wage-rate cities as Detroit, Houston, San Francisco, Pittsburgh, Los Angeles, Milwaukee and Cleveland are not proportionately more than in New York, and in some cases less than Boston. Wages in Chicago and Seattle run about 23 per cent higher than in Atlanta, but living costs are about the same.

Here's a modified version of the Community Council's budget,

showing the approximate percentage each department of living would take off a careful budget:

	Weekly Cost	% of Budget
Food .....	\$30.40	35%
Clothing .....	9.20	10
Housing .....	20.20	23
Transportation .....	3.20	4
Medical Care .....	5.30	6
Personal Care .....	2.10	2
Recreation, Other Goods, Services .....	9.70	11
Taxes .....	7.90	9
	\$88.00	100%

("Food" includes lunches at work as well as home meals. "Housing" includes rent, heat, utilities, furnishings and cleaning supplies. "Personal care" includes beauty and barber shop and Toiletries. "Recreation, Other Goods" includes periodicals, life insurance, union dues, contributions).

## Getting washed was big job

It wasn't until the Greeks launched their Golden Age that cleanliness was recognized as a virtue. Unfortunately the job had to be done without soap! Both the Greeks and Romans were forced to spread oil over their bodies and scrape away the dirt with an iron or silver gadget resembling a shoe horn. They laundered their togas with such unpleasant-smelling water-softening agents as animal bile or the juice of a plant called soap wort. Keeping clean was quite a job under these circumstances.

It remained for the barbarian Gauls—who couldn't care less about keeping clean—to discover a mixture of fats and ashes that loosened and carried away dirt like magic. The Greeks and Romans recognized its worth and imported the discovery in heavily pomaded balls that were used medicinally for covering wounds and sores. In 150 A.D., a Greek physician named Claudius Galen, suggested using this crude soap for cleaning as well as for healing purposes.—Retail Clerks Advocate.

## Sandwiches one solution

For simplified warm weather menus sandwiches frequently solve the problem deliciously and economically.

For success with sandwiches of any type, zest and flavor in the filling is of primary importance. It must always spell charm, be alluring to the eye, and make you want to eat more.

If sandwiches are to be really appreciated, the filling should be generous. Try using different kinds of bread for variety—even in the same sandwich. The best sandwich of all is a sort of super sandwich, one that's practically a meal in itself.—United Mine Workers Journal.

## To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

EVERY FAMILY has members who live and act very differently from the rest of the family, and this is a matter that interests all of us, for we all are kinsmen of such persons, or may be such persons ourselves. But the family of Lord Redesdale, who died the other day in England, must be entitled to some sort of prize.

Jessica Treuhaff of Oakland, wife of Robert Treuhaff, an attorney who has made his appearance in many cases where leftists were involved, is a daughter of Lord Redesdale. Jessica's sisters include the Duchess of Devonshire; Unity, who died some time ago, after long association with Adolph Hitler; Diana, who married Sir Oswald Mosley the British Fascist leader; and Nancy Mitford, who is a very clever and witty writer on the snobbish side.

JESSICA TREUHAF is a very pleasant person to meet. She is still firmly convinced that if the world doesn't move in a leftward direction, it's doomed, and we don't doubt that she doesn't mind a bit being left out of her father's will. As she told the press when the news came from England that she was left out of the will, "It seems a hundred years ago. My father and I disagreed. I was against Hitler. So I ran away to Spain and joined the Spanish Loyalists. He was pretty bitter about this and we've had no contacts since."

FAMILY SPLITS hurt, though, even if you're a resolute person such as Jessica Treuhaff seems to be.

Perhaps one reason, or the main reason, there's so much patter about achieving "togetherness" now is because with the high degree of individualism which prevails it's very difficult to attain harmony in any family.

## Super market of tomorrow

The supermarket of tomorrow may display irradiated bread, rolls and cake that will keep indefinitely without becoming stale.

Irradiation and freeze-drying are two of the new methods of processing foods which will give us many of the "foods of tomorrow." Though considerable research remains to be done before these food preservation methods are perfected for use on consumer foods, they do hold great promise. Potatoes treated with a low dosage of irradiation, for example, can be stored for well over a year without sprouting.

## Ideal pair

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## Kids do better if they eat!

A survey by the principal of a Chicago elementary school links breakfast habits with pupil behavior both in and out of the classroom.

The survey was launched by Marie V. O'Brien upon suggestion of the Chicago Nutrition Association.

Dr. O'Brien said in the report that pupils who were frequent disciplinary problems often according to her investigations, had not been eating breakfast.

The resultant survey — conducted in grades four to eight — showed: 21 of the children polled ate no breakfast, 41 per cent ate breakfasts classified "poor," only 13 per cent ate "good" breakfasts.

Breakfasts are termed "good" if they include any four of the following—fruit, cereal or bread, eggs, milk, sausage or bacon, and butter.

"Fair," breakfasts include two of these foods and milk, and "poor" morning meals are without milk, fruit or proteins. — United Press.

## Women in This World

By **EDITH McCONN**

OLD FOGIES with a sense of shock learn that some Boy Scout camps this summer are equipped with electric dishwashers, potato peelers, freezers, hot showers and other gadgets familiar in our everyday city life.

It seems that it is up to the local councils as to what kind of a camp shall be set up. But Scout headquarters, it seems, still prefer the rugged primitive type of camp, such as has been traditional in our country since scouting began.

Coming to grips with nature in this rugged way is supposed to teach boys self-reliance, courage and resourcefulness. Foraging for food and fire wood, hunting for water, building their own primitive shelters, was believed to counteract the softness of modern city life, the over-indulgence of doting parents.

And indeed in many cases it has done that very thing, not merely by the two-week camping period in the summer, but in the year-round activities stressing these sturdy virtues.

Many leaders are alarmed over the fact that many boys will be made soft and "sissies" by a vacation in these luxuriously equipped camps, where the boys will have no duties but to "have fun."

The leaders of the luxury camps have not been heard from. Perhaps their argument might be that they are only facing reality, that anything resembling pioneer life has gone forever from this country, and that being able to make a fire with two sticks on the moon would be a mighty futile project. Perhaps they feel that they are training boys for life as they will find it in America today.

To most, however, the ideals of scouting remain valid. And anyone who knows boys knows how happily they respond to life in the woods, the more primitive the better.

They don't think too much about the manly virtues they are going to develop or whether or not it has any practical value. To boys overflowing with life and energy, it's fun. And what's more fun than having fun?

## That smack of ham

Southerners appreciate the smack of ham in such vegetables as cabbage and green beans. To get that taste, they all too often simmer the vegetables with ham for hours. One reader has written to say he likes the "hammy" taste of such vegetables but not their mushy consistency. He would like to know if it is possible to get the desired flavor without overcooking.

It is not necessary to cook vegetables for hours with ham to get the taste of the meat. Simply simmer beans, cabbage or other vegetables in ham broth until tender. The broth may be that in which a ham has been boiled. Or, if that is not practical, buy ham bones at the butcher's and simmer them slowly in water to cover for a broth.

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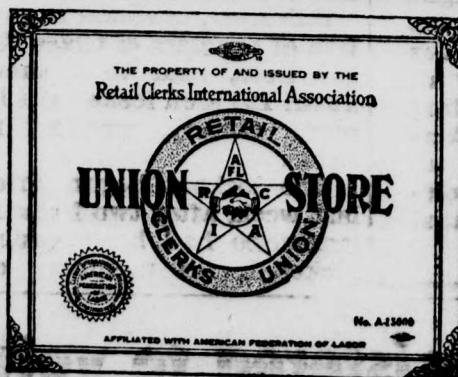
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## Dollars for Demos drive is part of bipartisan effort

California Democrats have announced plans to participate in a nationwide Dollars for Democrats drive scheduled for September 26 through September 29.

Heading up California's 1958 drive as co-chairman will be Lionel Steinberg, National Chairman of the Mass Solicitation and Small Contribution sub-committee of the Democratic National Committee, and William Rosenthal, Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee of Southern California.

Steinberg and Rosenthal chaired the 1956 and 1957 drives when California Democrats led the nation in collections; ringing three quarters of a million doorbells and raising one hundred and eighty-five thousand dollars in one weekend with the help of nearly fourteen thousand Democratic Party Workers.

This year's Dollars for Democrats drive will be coordinated with the nationwide nonpartisan effort of the American Heritage Foundation and the Advertising Council of America who have commenced a four months program utilizing ten million dollars worth of radio, newspaper, magazine, billboard and TV advertising urging the American people to "help keep politics clean" by making small contributions and doing work for the party of their choice.

Steinberg and Rosenthal opened the official 1958 California drive by setting a goal of one million doorbells in California's thirty congressional districts, and called for the recruitment of 400 volunteer collectors in each congressional district.

## Ohio RW backers place cash on line

COLUMBUS, O. — "Right-to-work" forces laid extra cash on the line to get enough signatures to put their compulsory open shop amendment on the November ballot.

The additional money will go to pay signature solicitors, who are being recruited via blind ads in college student newspapers. Like the whole "right-to-work" campaign, the ads fail to tell the whole story.

Here's how the ads disguise the nature of the work and the name of the hiring organization: "Summer jobs (6 weeks NOT selling). Hiring 50 neat, personable college men. Will travel in small groups with supervisor. Present employees averaging \$100 per week. Get applications in person at 50 N. 3rd Street."

The ads don't say so, but 50 N. 3rd St., is the headquarters for Ohioans of "Right-to-Work," the organization sponsoring the so-called "grass roots" drive to wipe out union security.—AFL-CIO News.

## Hilquitt chair to be given Brandeis

NEW YORK—The AFL-CIO has donated \$20,000 from the William Green Memorial Fund to kick off a campaign to finance a chair in labor and social institutions at Brandeis University in memory of Morris Hilquitt, prominent labor attorney and political leader of the early 1900's.

Paul Hall, president of the Seafarers Int'l. Union and chairman of the labor committee to raise funds for the project, also announced a pledge of \$10,000 from the SIU and \$1,000 from Local 3 of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. The Ladies Garment Workers Union has pledged to match the total contribution by other unions.—AFL-CIO News.

## Union shop clause in many contracts

Eighty-nine percent of California collective bargaining contracts covering 83 percent of the workers under agreements contain a union security provision. This was revealed by a survey of labor-management contracts just completed by the Division of Labor Statistics and Research of the California Department of Industrial Relations.

The Division reviewed 1,550 agreements covering 1,393,000 Californians. Union security provisions were found in 1,377 contracts applying to 1,162,000 workers. About one-third of all non-agricultural wage and salary workers in California are employed under labor-management agreements.

The union shop is the most common type of union security in California contracts, the survey disclosed. About 1,111 of the 1,550 agreements reviewed had such a provision. These 1,111 union shop contracts cover about 850,000 employees or 61 percent of the workers under all the contracts surveyed.

In a union shop agreement, it is agreed by the employer and the union of his employees that all employees working under the terms of the contract will be union members or become union members within a specified time after being hired.

In the great majority of contracts with union shop provisions, the employer is free to select new employees without regard to union membership. This was the case in 950 of the 1,111 California union agreements with union shop provisions which were reviewed in the survey.

## Ethics warning is sent to unions

WASHINGTON — AFL-CIO unions have received a directive from President George Meany calling for full compliance with the six ethical practices codes adopted over a two-year period and ratified by the 1957 convention.

President Meany's letter—copies of which were released to the press in draft form—was based on a resolution passed by the Executive Council, at the request of the Ethical Practices Committee, when in session at Miami Beach.

The Committee said it is "aware that most affiliates of the AFL-CIO have always complied with the Codes and require no directive to continue compliance. However, a directive such as we suggest would insure total compliance and also would have the salutary effect of pointing up the fact that the labor movement is vigilantly and effectively engaged in self-regulation."

The Committee, headed by President Al J. Hayes of the Machinists, acknowledged that legislation would certainly result unless labor "meets its responsibility" for keeping its own house in order.—AFL-CIO News.

## Statewide meeting will fight No. 18

Coordination of statewide efforts in labor's campaign to defeat Proposition 18 will be reviewed at a special policy meeting called by the California State Federation of Labor for Saturday, July 26, 1958, in San Francisco.

The day-long meeting will be held in the Venetian room of the Fairmont Hotel.

All AFL councils in the state were invited to the session by C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the State Federation. Each council was urged to send a representative to the planning session.

## Taft no lover of labor, but unlike Knowland, he opposed 'right to work'

Senator Knowland has often been called the spiritual and political successor of the late Senator Robert A. Taft. But Communication Workers 9415 in their July Newsletter print the following:

Senator Robert A. Taft took a clear position against outlawing the union shop. He voted against the Ball-Byrd amendment to prohibit the Union shop on May 9, 1947 and in debate he said:

"We considered the arguments very carefully in the committee and I, myself, came to the conclusion that since there had been for such a long time so many union shops in the United States, since in many trades it was entirely customary and had worked satisfactorily, I, at least, was not willing to go to the extent of abolishing the possibility of a union-shop contract."

"So I think it would be a mistake to go to the extreme of absolutely outlawing a contract which provides for a union shop, requiring all employees to join the union, if that arrangement meets with the approval of the employer and meets with the approval of a majority of the employees and is embodied in a written contract."

Source: the Congressional Record, May 9, 1957, pages 4,885 and 4,886.

## Hate bombings in South denounced

Pointing to the outrages perpetrated by hate groups in the south—the bombing of Jewish synagogues and other religious institutions—the AFL-CIO in a recent statement "strongly urges U. S. Attorney General Rogers to take immediate and effective action by launching a full scale FBI investigation into the bombings and lawlessness which are threatening civil liberties and the security of many people in the south."

Such outrages, it is stated, "clearly indicate a concerted course of criminal action in a number of states and point to the existence of a conspiracy which warrants immediate investigation by the FBI."

The statement deplores the government's inactivity in enforcing civil rights, emphasizing the failure of the Department of Justice to avail itself of the Civil Rights Act of 1957. Says the AFL-CIO:

"The Department of Justice has not yet processed a single case involving deprivation of the right to vote even though many such cases have been called to its attention. Meanwhile, the 1958 registration and primary voting period is underway and millions of American citizens continue to be deprived of their precious right of franchise because of the color of their skin."

Concluding, AFL-CIO calls on all trade unions and their members "to set the right example and to point the way for all Americans to the fulfillment of freedom and justice in the best tradition of American democracy."

## Kentucky merger set for Aug. 10th

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — AFL and CIO state labor groups in Kentucky have agreed to merge at a special merger convention to be held here Aug. 8-10.

The agreement on merger and a constitution for the new organization was reached at a meeting of committees representing both groups with AFL-CIO Vice Presidents Paul Phillips and Karl Feller and Peter M. McGavin, assistant to AFL-CIO Pres. George Meany.—AFL-CIO News.

## Pearson on Adams Knowland RW deal

Drew Pearson says in a syndicated column published recently that Secretary of Labor Jim Mitchell on April 24 expressed himself as opposed to "right to work" legislation. "Yet two months later Mitchell completely reversed himself after Knowland demanded that the labor issue be kept alive to help his campaign for Governor of California. Mitchell's somersault was engineered by none other than the assistant president, Sherman Adams."

## California faces suit to block extension of unemployment benefits

Management groups were reported threatening court action in six states to halt the temporary extension of jobless pay.

The states of Alabama, Arkansas, California, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island where the governors acted without specific authorization of their legislatures in signing agreements with the Dept. of Labor to accept federal advances to finance the stop-gap program.

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## Medical research plans announced

The newly announced medical research program of the National Fund for Medical Education was welcomed as a "positive tool in the unending search for better health for all the people," by John A. Greene, Cleveland, president of United Community Funds and Councils of America, the national association of 2,200 United community campaigns which last year raised a total of \$412,000,000 to support local, state, and national health and welfare services. Greene expressed the belief that givers would support the new program of research on behalf of the "whole man" with "generosity and enthusiasm."

Increasing pressure from givers in 2,100 United Fund and Community Chest cities all over the country has led to a great interest in developing a national vehicle for medical research funds directed towards meeting the needs of the whole man. The recognition of this need came to a head at the biennial conference of United Community Funds and Councils of America in February. At that time a program of action was unanimously adopted, one of the most significant parts of which called for the appointment of a special committee to explore a possible national health foundation.—United Community Funds.

## Attaching jobless pay is attacked

WASHINGTON — The Labor Dept. has joined the AFLCIO in asking Congress to halt the Internal Revenue Service's attachment of unemployment compensation benefits to settle back income tax claims.

Newell Brown, assistant secretary of labor, told the House Government Operations Committee that jobless benefits "are urgently needed by unemployed workers and their families to help meet the basic necessities of their daily existence." He urged that such payments be specifically exempted from attachment.

Brown noted that Congress in 1955 amended the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act to exempt payments from attachment for tax liability, declaring that "the considerations that moved the Congress" to this action "appear equally applicable to unemployment compensation."

Earlier the AFLCIO denounced the IRS for its "unsportsmanlike" and "unfair" action and the Industrial Union Dept. termed it in "direct conflict" with compensation laws.—AFLCIO News.

## Steel Machinists 1304

By DAVE ARCA

Things we learn from the papers . . .

At a hearing of the Assembly Interim Committee of Social Welfare, the president of the Blind Workers Guild of Oakland, charged bad treatment by an incompetent management of the California Industries for the Blind, 570 - 36th Street, Oakland.

He testified that piecework rates were arbitrarily changed without notice, machinery broke down, and workers could not get kennels for their guide dogs.

The plant is subsidized by the State, but supervisors, and foremen salaries are derived from the profits of the product sales. Ironically, this means the foremen and supervisors are supported by the efforts of those who cannot see.

Along with their other grievances, the Blind Workers complained they were required to make brooms without enough good straw. On a piecework basis, this was the last straw.

Assemblyman Samuel R. Geddes, is demanding a fully study of deliveries of inferior straw to the Center.

Shouldn't labor investigate the abuses by management?

## Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

We are still picketing the Mutual Watch Institute of America and wish to remind the members to be on the look-out for their \$6.95 watch repair signs in drug, hardware and variety stores.

Relative to this controversy, I visited with the secretary of the pharmaceutical Association, a Mr. Charles R. O'Malley, who was sympathetic with our problem. He promised to discuss this matter with the officers of his association who represent the pharmacists of Northern California, and contact us as soon as possible.

I have also discussed this matter with Mr. Sam Beard of the Peninsula Employers Council who handles labor relations for drug stores in San Mateo County.

I was unable to get an agreement signed at the Hayward Jewelers, therefore, just as soon as I have the time, I will proceed with strike sanction against this establishment.

**SAN FRANCISCO MEMBERSHIP MEETING:** The next membership meeting will be held on Thursday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m.—Native Sons Hall, 414 Mason St., San Francisco.

**VICE - PRESIDENT NIXON** cannot campaign from the front porch of the hound's-tooth club in 1960. — W. H. Stringer in Christian Science Monitor.

## Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAS

The District Council passed a resolution that will bring a referendum to the members concerning a dues increase of one dollar per month. In my opinion this is long over due if the membership expects to get the service we need both at the local and district level.

In any event you will be called upon to vote on it in the near future and at that time explanation in detail will be made.

Those brothers who are members of the registration committee and others who would like to work at registering of voters please contact us at once as we need to finish the job before September 11. Wayne Hultgren is the man to see on the registration committee.

The Local 36 meeting of the 25th is important as we will elect delegates to the international convention. On that night there will be an auction of a large batch of tools and materials from a brothers estate to be held after the meeting in the basement.

## Accused Africans helped by labor

WASHINGTON—The AFLCIO has contributed \$1,000 toward the defense of South African leaders who have been charged with treason for their opposition to the so-called "apartheid" program of the government of the Union of South Africa.

Ninety-one leaders of organizations opposed to the extreme racist policies, including important figures in the labor movement, have been indicated and charged with treason. Their trial will attempt to prove that action for racial equality is treason against the state.

The AFLCIO Executive Council adopted a statement expressing solidarity "with the opponents of apartheid, both white and non-white, in South Africa." It pointed out that the treason trial is "only a dramatic and current expression of an exploitive regime" which is strongly anti-labor.

"African workers are the bulk of the labor force," the council said. "And yet by law African labor unions are denied recognition. By law African workers are compelled to accept the wages and working conditions set by their employers and the government. No collective bargaining, no right to strike is countenanced. Africans are systematically denied equal pay for equal work. White unions are forbidden to have African members and must establish separate branches for Asians and Coloreds (persons of mixed descent)." — AFLCIO News.

## Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

The work situation in Local 342 remains about the same and it will be about sixty days before there will be an upward trend. However, our sister local unions, namely Locals 38 of San Francisco, 393 of San Jose, 471 of Eureka, 444 of Oakland, 343 of Vallejo and 467 of San Mateo have been placing some of our members to work.

This business office would like to take this opportunity to inform our membership of the procedure they must follow while working or seeking work in the jurisdiction of another local union. Section 169 of the United Association constitution provides in part, that a member of this local union, either seeking or accepting employment in the jurisdiction of another local union must obtain a travel card. In order to obtain a travel card, your dues must be paid currently, that is, including the month you leave this local union, and the travel card must be obtained from the business manager of business agents and signed in their presence. Then you take this travel card to the local union in whose jurisdiction you will be working, present it to the proper representative, sign it and pay \$5.00 (\$5.00 per month). You continue to pay your regular dues and assessments in your home local union.

When you leave the jurisdiction of the local union where you have your travel card deposited, you must again obtain a travel card, and present in person to the proper representative of the local union in whose jurisdiction you intend to work or seek employment. This also applies if you are returning to your home local union. Now, this is most important — violation of this section of the constitution, after charges have been preferred and trial held, makes you subject to a hundred dollar fine.

Our records show that approximately 80% of the membership of Local 342 are registered. Now, with the "right-to-work" on the November ballot, we must undertake the most intensive registration campaign in the history of California labor. Closing date for registration of voters for the November election is September 11. It is not extreme to say that the very future of our labor movement depends upon the number of voters we can register between now and September 11. Unless you or your family are registered, you or they will not be able to vote against the "right-to-work". Registration must dominate everything we do between now and September 11.

We are very sorry to report the passing of Brothers Jack Crocker, Arthur Wells and Harold (Hutch) Hutchinson. Our business office and membership of Local 342 wish to extend their sincere sympathy to the families of these departed brothers. They will be missed by their many friends in Local 342.

The meeting of August 7 will be a special called meeting for the purpose of hearing the reports of your delegates to the California Pipe Trades Council convention. Also, other matters of importance will be acted upon at this meeting.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

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## Soviet's economic war held menacing

The current Communist economic offensive is described as "a challenge which may be greater to us than of open armed attack" by the author of a research paper published by the Committee for Economic Development (CED).

The study by Michael Sapir, an economist at work with the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration in Latin America, brought together all of the available information on the dimensions and quality of the Soviet-led economic campaign.

Sapir, described by CED as "a student of international economics who has specialized in the affairs of underdeveloped areas," presented his study in terms of the rivalry between the Communist Bloc and Free World nations for the trade and friendship of the underdeveloped and uncommitted countries.

The study focused on the Soviet "trade and aid" program which started in 1953, marking a sharp turn in Soviet foreign economic policy.

In the foreword of his study, Sapir recalled Nikita Khrushchev's boast of last November that his country would win the war it had declared on us "in the field of peaceful production."

"I think the record shows," said Sapir, "that Khrushchev's threat was no idle boast. The Soviet performance in the short span of five years has been impressive."

He found that it was not only large, but growing, and that Russia alone "has the capacity to devote \$1 billion or more annually to programs for foreign credit aid involving exports of industrial plants, machinery, and structural materials to countries seeking economic development." — Committee for Economic Development.

## Building crafts donate fire house

WICHITA, KANSAS — The Building and Construction Trades Council here has turned over to the town of Udall, Kansas a new fire station and city office building with the compliments of organized labor.


The formal dedication and turning over of the actual building climaxed a 30-month effort by organized labor to replace the fire station and office building destroyed by a tornado in May 1955.

The structure was built by over 500 union men who donated their weekends and spare time aided financially by 19 unions in the area and over 40 contractors.

The project was organized by H. E. Mooney, business representative of the Wichita Council to help the stricken town. The new building houses the town's two fire trucks, the city clerk's office, a library and work-room for city maintenance employees.

AFLCIO President George Meany, in a letter to Mooney, expressed his gratification at the role of labor in setting up the project. He added:

"I congratulate you and your associates upon the fine spirit of cooperation and community service displayed in this volunteer work." — AFLCIO News.



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# OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

## AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

Attention, members! The first meeting in August, Tuesday, August 5, 1958, will be a special called meeting to consider:

1—Withdrawal of five thousand dollars (\$5000) from the savings fund for transfer to the California State Machinists Nonpartisan League to fight the "Right to work" Proposition No. 18.

2—Referendum vote to elect one general vice president and member of the Law Committee.

Members living over 25 miles from the lodge hall or temporarily absent from the city or ill under doctor's care are entitled to absentee ballots upon written application to the recording secretary postmarked not later than ten days before the election.

For the convenience of night shift workers who wish to record their vote, they may do so in the financial secretary's office beginning at 8 a.m. the day of the election.

Fraternally,  
A. J. HAYES,  
Recording Secretary

## STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

There will be only one meeting a month during July, August, and September. This will be held on the first Thursday of each of those months.

During that period there will be two executive board meetings a month, on the first and third Thursdays.

Fraternally,  
JAMES MARTIN,  
Fin. Sec'y., Bus. Mgr.

## HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at the Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Road, Hayward. The Labor Temple address has been changed from 1541 to 1050 Mattox Road.

The Financial Secretary wishes to announce that the assessment to fight the "Right-to-Work" (right to scab) proposition is now long overdue and requests that the few who have not paid the assessment, include the \$2.00 when they send in their dues. The assessment is due ahead of the payment of dues.

Fraternally yours,  
MARIUS WALDAL  
Recording Secretary

## CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 P.M. at Carpenter's Hall, 761 12th Street, Oakland, Calif.

There will be a special called meeting July 25, Friday, at 8 p.m. to vote on the election of delegates to the general convention of Carpenters and to elect delegates to the State Federation of Labor.

Steward's meeting will be Thursday, July 17.

Educational Committee will meet Wednesday, July 23.

Your local union and your officers recommend that you register and vote at the November 4th, 1958, election. Registration can be made at your union hall, fire station or at the County Court house.

Fraternally yours,  
OSCAR N. ANDERSON  
Recording Secretary

## CARPENTERS 194

Unless otherwise specified, the Alameda Carpenter Local will meet on the first and third Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in Eagle Hall, 2305 Alameda Ave., Alameda.

Fraternally yours,  
J. W. NIXON,  
Recording Secretary

## CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

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## HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Friday night, July 18 a regular meeting will be called to order to consider such business as may regularly come before it. One item of great interest to every one of us is the attitude of some of our present political leaders, and their backers, who are out to destroy the many benefits we now have.

Previous to our meeting Friday, July 18 a movie film titled "Monopoly" will be shown in Carpenters 1622 No. 1 Hall. The Carpenters are going along with us in showing this film. The time 8 p.m. and no charge for admission.

The film shows the appearance of President Reuther of the UAW before a Senate committee with Senator Kefauver as the chairman, with reference to the disparity in the increase in the price of automobiles to that of the increase in wages by Ford and GM. Another subject of interest to all.

Fraternally yours,  
ROBERT G. MILLER,  
Recording Secretary

## PAINTERS COUNCIL 16

To members of House Painters Local Unions: According to the terms and conditions of the Bay Area Painters Welfare Fund, all claims incurred prior to June 30, 1958, must be in the office of the Bay Area Painters Welfare Fund on or before September 30, 1958. No claims or bills will be recognized or paid under our contract of the previous year after that date.

We also wish to advise that those members who may have drawn their maximum benefits during the prior contract year will again be eligible to apply for new benefits providing the required number of hours have been worked.

Fraternally yours,  
L. K. MOORE  
President

## CARPENTERS 1473

Fruitvale Local 1473 meets at Eagle's Hall, 1228 - 36th Avenue, Oakland on the first and third Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally yours,  
J. W. KIRKMAN,  
Recording Secretary

## PLUMBERS & GAS FITTERS 444

The next regular meeting of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Local No. 444 will be held Wednesday, July 23, in Hall A on the first floor of the Labor Temple Building, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland.

Please note that this is a change in meeting nights from the first Thursday to the fourth Wednesday of each month.

1. We will have the regular order of business.

2. Ben H. Beynon and Kenneth Evilsizer will give their reports on the California State Joint Apprenticeship meeting held on June 11, 1958 at Poly Technical College in San Luis Obispo.

Fraternally,  
BEN H. BEYNON,  
Bus. Mgr. & Financial  
Secretary-Treasurer

## UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

Meeting, Friday, July 25, 8 p.m., 2315 Valdez Street, Hall D, (Installation of Officers.)

Fraternally,  
DOROTHY McDAID,  
Recording Secretary

## S. F.-OAKLAND MAILERS 18

The next regular meeting of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers' Union, No. 18, will be held at California Hall, 625 Polk Street, San Francisco, California, on Sunday afternoon, July 20, 1958, at one o'clock.

Fraternally,  
HORACE W. STAFFORD,  
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Fraternally,  
LLOYD CHILD,  
Business Representative

## MILLMEN 550

Members! Be sure you put six cents in stamps on your due books when you mail them in to the union office. If you put only 3 cents in stamps on, as many have been doing, your union office pays not only the extra 3 cents but a 5-cent penalty which the Post Office now charges. Too much of your union money is being wasted in this way, so please remember.

Also, those wishing to donate blood are reminded to get in touch with the Kaiser hospital or with this office.

Fraternally,  
E. H. OVENBERG,  
Financial Secretary

## STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, July 17, 1958 at 8:00 p.m., in the Machinists Hall, 3637 San Pablo Avenue.

Executive Board meets 6:30 p.m. Joint Stewards Council meets Saturday, July 19, 1958 at 10:30 a.m.

Fraternally yours,  
DAVE ARCA,  
Recording Secretary

## CARPENTERS 1158

Berkeley Local 1158 meets at 2108 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley on the second and fourth Friday of each month at 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally yours,  
H. B. RICHARDSON,  
Recording Secretary

## Atomic energy lag attacked by labor

WASHINGTON — The AFLCIO has told the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy that shortcomings in the nation's program for the development of atomic energy pointed out last year and earlier "are even more disturbing today."

Stressing three main weaknesses, Andrew J. Biemiller, director of the AFLCIO Department of Legislation and chairman of the AFLCIO staff committee on atomic energy, testified that:

• America's rate of atomic power development is still "highly inadequate" and the government should promptly construct and operate several large-scale atomic power plants.

• The past year offers "cause for increased concern" about the hazards of radiation to workers and the general public and there is need for improvement of workmen's compensation and other measures to meet such dangers.

• There is a real need for a more effective means of considering certain specialized labor-management matters in the atomic industry which should be met by the creation of a "statutory labor-management advisory committee" to work with the Atomic Energy Commission. — AFLCIO News.

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## Mob penetration of Culinary Unions in Chicago is probed

The McClellan Committee, digging into what it termed "infiltration" by a "clandestine criminal syndicate" into business and labor, turned its attention to alleged "sweetheart" contracts of the Hotel and Restaurant Union in Chicago.

The union's Chicago Area Joint Executive Board promptly denied charges of collusion in an 81-page report detailing gains won for its members through trade union action, declaring that its achievements "dispel the fiction" of "sweetheart" contracts.

Sen. John L. McClellan (D.-Ark.), committee chairman, said the current phase of the inquiry would explore four main areas:

• "Whether groups of employers banded together for the purposes of destroying legitimate unionization."

• "Whether collusive deals were made between dishonest management and dishonest union officials."

• "Whether gangsters or hoodlums were employed by an association of employers to keep out unionization or to handle their labor relations."

• "Whether certain union officials have been or are presently in the control of the criminal syndicate in Chicago."

Virgil Peterson, director of the Chicago Crime Commission, testified that three of the present officers of Local 593, largest of the union's locals in Chicago, were closely linked with the old Al Capone mob. He identified them as James Blakely, an international vice president and secretary-treasurer of the local; John Lardino, its administrative director, and his brother, Daniel Lardino, a business agent.

Peterson, tracing the criminal rule of Chicago back more than 20 years and punctuating his testimony with the names of some of the top gangland leaders of that era, contended that mobsters took control of Bartenders Local 278 in 1935 and held it in a firm grip until a Chicago judge threw it in receivership five years later and turned his courtroom into a polling place while union members elected new officers.

Put in control of the local by the Capone mob, he said, was Louis Romano, who later turned up in an \$18,000-a-year job as assistant to Attorney Abraham Teitelbaum, counsel to the Chicago Restaurant Association at an annual fee of \$125,000. Romano denied the charge that he was controlled by the mob or that he later engineered "sweetheart" deals while working for Teitelbaum, one-time Capone lawyer, but invoked the Fifth Amendment when questioned concerning his alleged criminal activities.

The joint board's statement, furnished to the committee before it opened the new phase of its hearings, contended it had hammered out wage increases ranging as high as 300 percent

between 1941 and 1958 in its negotiations in behalf of the 30,000 members of the 11 locals it represents. It also cited such additional gains as health and welfare funds, paid vacations, overtime pay and the shorter work week to "dispel the fantasy of any collusion."—AFLCIO News.

## July proclaimed as Apprenticeship Month by Knight

Governor Goodwin J. Knight has proclaimed July "Apprenticeship Month" in California. His proclamation, a Department of Industrial Relations statement said, recognizes the role craftsmen are playing in the tremendous population growth and industrial development taking place within the State. In his proclamation, Governor Knight says "California's rapidly expanding industrial life makes more demands upon our ability to supply trained help. To meet this need, apprenticeship training programs are imperative."

Governor Knight's proclamation is being implemented by Edward P. Park, Director of Industrial Relations and Administrator of Apprenticeship, and H. W. Stewart, Director of Employment, in releases to all of the California Joint Apprenticeship Committees and the Community Youth Employment organizations soliciting their active cooperation in expanding apprenticeship locally to meet the needs of industry.

Leading representatives of labor, management, and local governments in the Eastbay are united in meeting the challenge to promote and expand apprenticeship. Robert Ash, secretary of the Alameda County Central Labor Council; Lamar Childers, business representative of the Alameda County Building Trades Council; R. E. Flynn, president of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce; and Cliff Rishell, Mayor of Oakland, have joined hands in this civic and community endeavor.

In the East Bay, the local office of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards reports that there are, at present, 2064 apprentices in training under State approved programs, and an additional 377 apprentices are in the Armed Forces.

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## Open shoppers hit by Colorado daily

Through the courtesy of Elizabeth Mackin of the Food Clerks 870 office, East Bay Labor Journal has access to some interesting clippings showing the way the fight over the union shop is going in Colorado.

One clipping is from the Denver Post, the big Colorado daily paper, with an editorial headed "Right-to-Work Is Unmasked". The editorial calls attention to an ad the paper run recently for the enemies of the union shop and declares flatly: "Its attack on union shop contracts is merely a coverup for a blind fury it harbors for labor unions in general."

"We wonder if members of the Denver Chamber of Commerce won't feel somewhat agast to discover the real temper of the cause which they have officially joined—not through their own votes but through the vote of their directors..."

"The Colorado Right-to-Work Committee leaves the inevitable impression that it believes only employers—not unions—should engage in politics and that labor unions—but not, necessarily, chambers of commerce—should make decisions by the votes of members."

The other clipping contains an open letter to Milton Lightner, president, National Association of Manufacturers, signed by the Citizens Committee for Freedom to Bargain, telling the NAM chief, among other things, that the Colorado Right-to-Work Committee is "your local spokesman... the National 'Right-to-Work' Committee and all subsidiary State committees are the brain-children of the National Association of Manufacturers."

## Woman president of Sacramento CLC

The seating of Mrs. Silas Jones as president of the Sacramento-Yolo Central Labor Council last month marks the first time in the history of the local council that a woman has held the top job. The change in the top officer's position in the council, now 61 years old, was brought about by the recent voluntary withdrawal of teamsters affiliates.

Sister Jones replaces Albert A. Marty, secretary-treasurer of Teamsters Local 150 and a Sacramento City Councilman, who resigned.

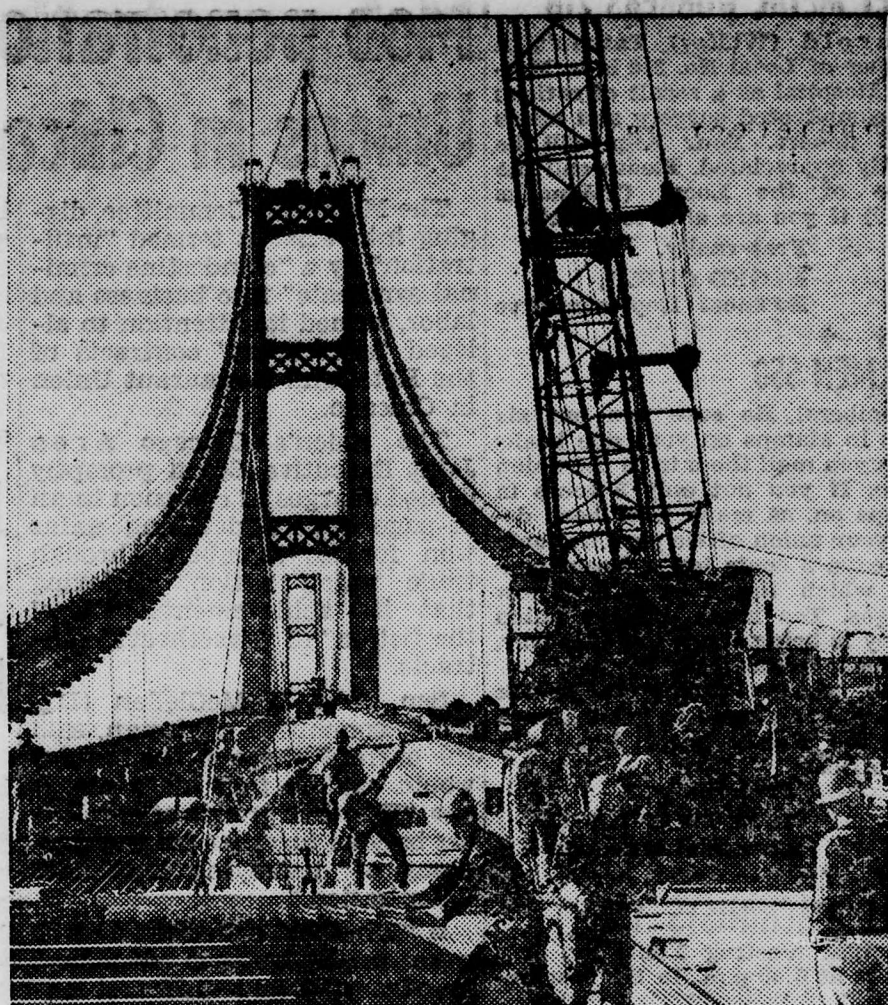
Mrs. Jones has served since April of 1956 as vice president of the council and is secretary-treasurer of the Waiters and Waitresses Local Union 561, a position she has held for the past 15 years.—**Sacramento Labor Bulletin.**

## Schools of public health requested

WASHINGTON—The AFLCIO has urged Congress to earmark \$1 million of the \$30 million authorized under the Public Health Service Act for grants-in-aid to schools of public health.

Lane Kirkland, assistant director of the AFLCIO's Department of Social Security told a House Commerce subcommittee that the allocation of the \$1 million is needed to maintain the vital functions of the Public Health Service and insure it adequate staff.

The grants-in-aid would go to the nation's 11 schools of public health. These schools, said Kirkland, are "experiencing increasing difficulty in obtaining operating funds sufficient to support present levels of enrollment and teaching staff."—**AFLCIO News.**



**FIVE CRAFTSMEN**, all good AFLCIO members, died that this \$100 million, five-mile long bridge across the Straits of Mackinac in Michigan might be built to become a safe highway across water for those who will not realize all the dangers faced by those who built it. AFLCIO President August Scholle presented a bronze plaque in memory of the five who lost their lives on the project during the four years it was under construction. Shown above is a typical trade union crew laying a section of flooring for the bridge linking Michigan's two peninsulas.

## Tricky law proves benefit to labor

DES MOINES, Ia.—The Iowa Legislature was trying to hamstring the labor movement when it enacted a "right-to-work" law back in 1947, but it ended up doing a big favor for the Auto Workers.

The legislators wrote into the measure the provisions of an ancient "wage-assignment law," requiring both the husband and wife to sign a statement before a notary public signifying their willingness to have their dues "assigned" to the union under the dues-checkoff system.

Last month, when the UAW contracts with the Big Three auto producers expired and the union continued working without a contract, one of the first moves of the auto makers was to end dues checkoff.

But while the contracts have expired, the Iowa law still applies and the notarized statements agreeing to the "wage assignment" still are valid, the UAW contends.

Officers of two Ford locals—210 and 991—at the company's plants in this state have invoked the law's provision to demand a continuance of the checkoff, and have threatened court action if Ford fails to comply.—**AFLCIO News.**

## \$36,500 awarded by Hillman Fund

NEW YORK — Scholarships, and other grants totalling \$36,500 have been made by the Sidney Hillman Foundation, Jacob S. Potofsky, president of the foundation and of the Clothing Workers, has announced.

The foundation was formed in the clothing industry to perpetuate the ideals of the first president of the union in the fields of enlightened labor-management relations, race relations, civil liberties, civil rights and world peace.

The foundation's board of directors made grants of \$22,500 for scholarships at institutions of learning in this country and Israel; awarded \$10,500 for lectureships at eight colleges, and presented \$3,500 in grants to four institutions.—**AFLCIO News.**

## ADD YOUR AGE AND YOUR SERVICE YEARS, AND SEE

WASHINGTON—A "magic 80" clause has been written into the contract recently negotiated by the Commercial Telegraphers of its 30,000 members employed by Western Union.

Under the new formula, a member can retire at full pension as soon as his age and years of service total 80. Thus a worker with 25 years of service, for example, would be eligible to retire at 55.—**AFLCIO News.**

## Schnitzler urges positive approach

WASHINGTON — Organized labor must take the initiative and abandon its defensive position if it is to progress under present conditions, AFLCIO Secretary-Treasurer William F. Schnitzler told a conference of staff members and local leaders of the Firemen and Oilers.

The positive approach to common problems of all workers—and all Americans—such as so-called "right to work" legislation, unemployment compensation improvements, the recession, and workmen's compensation, he maintained, will produce far more impressive results than any amount of defensive work.

"We have qualified leadership at the state and local levels such as we have never had before," he said, "and now we have to tie it into action at the national level. We must make one's problems everybody's problems. Brotherhood is needed, brotherhood and warmth and one human helping another."

"What good are 68,000 local unions if they are not used for the things the whole labor movement wants and needs?"

The positive approach is particularly desirable in fighting "right to work" legislation, which he said will be a "hot issue" in state legislatures this year and next.

"I don't think the labor movement should be called upon to defend the union shop," Schnitzler maintained. "We have to tell people why the union shop is better for the worker, what it means to him and how it gives him a better life in the shop. Failure to take this positive approach sometimes confuses people."—**AFLCIO News.**

## No. 18 condemned by Rabbis' Board

Organized religious activity against Proposition 18 was stepped up as the Board of Rabbis of Southern California came out against the so-called "right to work" measure, branding it an assault upon the "very existence" of unions and the "very integrity" of the collective bargaining process.

The Jewish statement was issued by Rabbi Ben Zion Bergman, president of the southern California rabbi unit.

Emphasizing the need for effective unionism, the statement said that Proposition 18 would represent:

- (1) An unwarranted intrusion of government in the collective bargaining process;
- (2) An oppressive restriction of the rights of labor;
- (3) A denial of the freedom of individual workers to determine the policies of their unions.

The statement notes that government should "neither require nor prohibit" union security agreements between labor unions and employers.—**State Federation Newsletter.**

## Employer insists unions necessary

Right-wing politicians and McKinley-style spokesmen for industry fill many headlines with anti-union blasts. But there are many men in American management, who recognize the value of unions to workers—and to America.

One such is Leland Hazard, vice president and general counsel of the big Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. Writing in the current issue of the Harvard Business Review, Hazard suggests that the right-wingers' attempts to ban union security agreements through so-called "right to work" laws are "doctrinaire" and "perverted." He also had this to say:

"The newspapers have for some months been reporting much shocking skulduggery, and some big names in labor appear suspect of feet of clay. Will this be the end of the labor movement? Of course not."

"There are thousands of unsung, unknown, workaday management-labor agreements functioning fairly well—not perfectly, but fairly well," Hazard continued. "Unionism is built into the American system... The labor-management relationship is as much a part of modern capitalism as are the machines and the stockholders' savings."

And Hazard concluded: "I predict enduring unionism. Its power should not be feared or resented. I think of unionism, rather as a technique which has helped to humanize the industrial revolution..."

If more feet-to-the-ground industrial leaders like Hazard would speak out publicly the truth about modern industrial relations, perhaps fewer senators and newspaper editorial writers would go astray—and the public would have a better understanding of the labor movement.—**Labor.**

## State is studying 13 workers' death

In the light of the June 17th tragedy at Soledad, where 13 workers were burned to death and 18 others hospitalized by a flash fire on a truck carrying Mexican National workers, the Division of Industrial Safety is reviewing present safety regulations dealing with the transportation of workers.

This was announced by Edward P. Park, Director of California's Department of Industrial Relations, of which the Division of Industrial Safety is a part.

## Ickes quoted on how Knowlands got control of Trib

The Service Union Reporter, published by the California State Council of Building Service Employees, in its June issue published a three-column headline:

**INTEGRITY — Is That How Knowland Got the Tribune?**

Under that headline is published an excerpt from the book by the late Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior under President Roosevelt, entitled "America's House of Lords."

Ickes commented on the fact that while Time magazine in its issue of August 14, 1939, published the strange story of how the Knowlands got ownership of the Oakland Tribune, only very scanty and uninformative news of the matter was published in California papers or in any newspapers.

Ickes commented: "Such omission of news of public interest discredits the entire newspaper profession and makes more easily understandable the critical views of newspaper readers as disclosed by the poll published in August, 1939, by the magazine, Fortune."

"For the prevailing low opinion of them, on the part of their readers, the newspapers have only themselves to blame. Perhaps in time they will reach the conclusion that their protestations of virtue, of impartiality, of fairness, of 'printing all the news that's fit to print' fool only themselves."

"Perhaps in time they will come to realize that such men as Knowland, Annenberg, and McCormick, each in his own way, is doing the newspaper calling no good."

## Labor diligently cleaning up: Meany

WASHINGTON—The AFLCIO is "diligently and effectively engaging in self-regulation to insure the continued healthy development of our American labor movement," Pres. George Meany has declared in a foreword to a new edition of the AFLCIO Codes of Ethical Practices.

The new edition contains the three resolutions adopted by the AFLCIO convention in Atlantic City in December 1957, pertinent sections of the AFLCIO Constitution and the full texts of the six codes affirmed at the convention.

In his foreword Meany notes that at the Executive Council meeting in February 1958 all AFLCIO affiliates were directed to comply with the provisions of the codes promptly with delays permissible only where a union's constitution had to be changed or the action had to be taken by a convention.

The 48-page pamphlet is available without charge from the AFLCIO Dept. of Publications, 815 - 16th street NW, Washington 6, D. C.—**AFLCIO News.**

## Labor's pamphlets are shown in list

WASHINGTON—A current list of AFLCIO pamphlets, leaflets and publications including those issued in the past several months, is now available from the Dept. of Publications.

The new listing includes all material concerning the AFLCIO Second Constitutional Convention as well as new material dealing with the "right-to-work" fight, community services activities and civil rights.

Short descriptions of each publication, the date issued, number of pages and price where applicable are included in the listing.—**AFLCIO News.**



## UNIONS ARE PROTESTING. SENATE BILL No. 1451

The Central Labor Council this week passed unanimously a resolution to request all affiliated unions to send in to Congress protests against Senate Bill 1451, which William J. Foley of the Insurance Agents Union had said last week was a scheme of the big insurance companies to circumvent present regulations.

Foley's analysis of the bill was confirmed by a communication from AFLCIO headquarters, which is fighting the measure.

## No. 17 needed to block sales tax boosts: Haggerty

The daily press has contained lately many attacks by various interests against Proposition 17, the labor-sponsored initiative to cut the sales tax and increase the income tax in California.

On the other hand, C. J. Haggerty, secretary of the State Federation issued a statement declaring that California working people are now carrying a sales tax burden at least 150 percent greater than those in the upper-income brackets.

Haggerty said the adoption of Proposition 17, the labor-backed state tax revision measure, will "relieve this injustice" by reducing the present sales and use tax from 3 percent to 2 percent.

Haggerty said that Proposition 17 provides a basic guarantee that the legislature will not aggravate the sales and use tax burden at the 1959 session.

Under Proposition 17, the measure gives the legislature the right to reduce the sales tax rate, but not to increase it above the 2 percent rate written into the initiative.

The power to establish higher rates would be reserved to the people by vote of the electors.

The state AFL head also charged that the present sales tax is a deterrent to economic expansion, since it seriously weakens the buying power of the working people.

Haggerty said the state faces the problem of maintaining consumer purchasing power during the present recession, if the consumer public is to "buy the ever-increasing products of American industry."

He also charged that ultra-right forces in the California political world are "obviously planning" to impose new sales and consumer taxes in their efforts to offset the current fiscal crisis brought about by income tax privileges written to favor the wealthy.

## NAM Chamber hit Senate labor plan

Two major employer organizations have opened an all-out drive to kill the Senate-passed Kennedy-Ives labor bill and the welfare plan disclosure measure.

The National Association of Manufacturers and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce have touched off a wide-ranging campaign complete with a mail barrage to keep both measures bottled up in the House Labor Committee.

The employer groups are opposed to the disclosure and reporting provisions of both measures—disclosure of the affairs of welfare plans managed solely by management and reporting on funds spent in "influence or affect employees in the exercise" of their organizing and bargaining rights.

The employer groups are strenuously opposing also the provisions of the Kennedy-Ives bill revising the Taft-Hartley Act to allow economic strikers to vote in NLRB elections.—AFL-CIO News.

## July 28 meeting to act in battle against open shop

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lists for precinct work, to do doorbell ringing and visit shopping centers to make contacts with the voters.

Hellender said that Al Thoman of Carpenters 36 had it figured it out that in order to get all labor's unregistered voters in the county registered by September 11 deadline an average of 2500 persons per week for 8 weeks would have to be handled.

"More and more meetings, more and more money," Hellender summed it up. "And after registration, then the precinct work on the election itself to make sure we win November 4."

He pointed out that the Oakland Tribune, organ of Senator Knowland, Republican candidate for Governor and principal advocate of the "right to work" measure, was warming up in its fight on labor, and that another Senator was citing the McClellan Committee probe of the restaurant industry in Chicago as an argument for the breaking up of the union shop.

## Elections called in bakery battle

The National Labor Relations Board has ordered five elections in the continuing fight of AFL-CIO American Bakery & Confectionery Workers to replace the corruption-ridden Bakery Confectionery Workers.

The Board's orders were based on the principle, established several years ago in the Lawren Leather case, that the existence of a contract does not necessarily prevent an election when schism takes place within a union.—AFLCIO News

## Construction work value up in June

The dollar value of new construction put in place rose seasonally in June to nearly \$4.4 billion, bringing the total for the first half of 1958 to \$22.1 billion—about the same as for the comparable 1957 period, according to preliminary estimates prepared jointly by the U. S. Departments of Labor and Commerce.

These estimates reflect a 3-percent rise in public construction over the first 6 months last year, due primarily to expanded activity in highways and public housing (mostly Capehart projects for the armed services.) Private construction, at \$15.5 billion, was off only slightly from the 6 months' total last year, despite a sharp drop in industrial construction outlays.

## Testimony asked in Carpenter case

Testimony before the McClellan Committee concerning the failure of a Lake County (Ind.) grand jury to indict three officials of the Carpenters on bribery charges led Indiana's Gov. Harold W. Handley (R) to request transcripts of the hearing with a view toward appointment of a special prosecutor.

The McClellan Committee had accused Lake County Prosecutor Metro Holovachka of involvement in a "fix" to prevent the indictments of Carpenters Pres. Maurice Hutcheson, Vice Pres. O. William Blaier and Treasurer Frank Chapman as well as former highway official Harry Doggett. They were subsequently indicted on bribery counts in neighboring Marion County.

## Childers is reelected by BTC

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166, William Marshall, Carpenters 1473, Jim Martin, Steamfitters 342; Bruce Dillashaw, Cement Masons 594.

Martin was unanimously chosen by voice vote to replace Bob Weis, Electricians 595, who, S. E. Rockwell of that local announced, was a delegate for the next term.

Many delegates had just been reelected by their locals, and were seated, on a motion made by Paul L. Jones, Laborers 304, of the Law & Legislative Committee, without delay. The following, who had not previously been delegates, were examined and passed in the established way by Jones and by Bruce Dillashaw of the Cement Masons and seated by President Miller in time to cast their votes:

Norbert Meeps, Asbestos Workers 16; Joe Nobriga, Boilermakers 10; Don Kinchloe, Operating Engineers 3; Lawrence Gladding, Linoleum Layers 1290; Alvin Sevey, Engineers 39; Anthony Scallo and I. Ray Darton, Gardeners 1206; Richard Adams and Raymond Sellers, Floorlayers 1861; S. K. Johnson and R. Davis, Glaziers 169; Chris Medeiros and Phil Russell, Tile Layers 19; H. T. Peterson, Operating Engineers 3; Leon McCool and John Duddick, Hayward Carpenters 1622.

Members of the Election Committee were: Bob Quinn, Sheet Metal 216; E. G. Ball, Asbestos Workers 18; Edgar Gulbransen, Painters 127. They performed their office with such precision and dispatch that the meeting, which opened at 8 p.m., adjourned at 9:15.

## Hayward Culinary tentative pact; arbiter is being named in Oakland

Hayward Culinary & Bartenders Local 823 has reached a tentative agreement with the restaurant and tavern owners in the southern end of Alameda County, Secretary-Treasurer Roy Woods stated this week.

Woods said that the tentative agreement was subject to ratification by both the employers and the union membership, so details could not yet be divulged.

The dispute between the culinary crafts and the tavern and restaurant owners in the northern end of the county is moving toward arbitration with J. F. Galliano representing the unions and Edward H. Moore of the law

firm headed by J. Paul St. Sure representing the employers. Galliano and Moore are conferring on the choosing of an arbitrator satisfactory to both sides.

Cooks 228, Bartenders 52, and Culinary Alliance 31 have been asking an increase of pay, and so far the employers have claimed that the wage of bartenders and cooks should be cut \$1 per day, and that of waitresses and other help represented by Local 31 should be cut 50 cents per day.

The contract is reopened this year only for wages, but on July 6 of next year will terminate and be open for a general overhauling.

## IBEW 1245 elects; no strike vs. Key

The executive committee of the Central Labor Council did not act on the request of International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1245 for strike sanction against the Key System, as settlement of the dispute was reached.

The union announced that the following officers were chosen by secret ballot:

Ronald T. Weakley, business manager - financial secretary; Charles T. Massie, President; Marvin C. Brooks, vice president; Milton (Scotty) Shaw, recording secretary; Thomas F. (Bud) Kerin, treasurer.

Walter R. (Bob) Glasgow, executive board, Northern Area; Richard N. (Dick) Sands, Executive board, Central Area; Robert E. Staab, executive board, Southern Area; Everett T. Basinger, executive board, Gen. Const. Dept.

## Steel Machinists officers elected

Steelworker Machinists 1304 elected officers for a two-year term in a recent election.

Bob Smith was elected president, getting 216 votes to Ernie Perry's 151.

Jack Long was elected vice president, getting 191 votes to Al De Deaux's 157.

The following were elected without opposition: Financial secretary - dispatcher, Eddie Hammett; recording secretary, Dave Arca; business agent, Lloyd Ferber; treasurer, George Adams.

The following were elected delegates to the Central Labor Council: Dave Arca, Al De Deaux, Allen Fredotovich, Lloyd Ferber, Jack Long, Bob Smith, Bill Mitchell.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal.

## No State AFL convention this year; it will be merger conclave instead

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer, State Federation of Labor, announces that committees of the State AFL and CIO have reached agreement on the basic principles of consolidation, have reconciled "major differences," and look forward to a merger convention on the State level late in the year, probably after mid-November.

Haggerty said that in view of merger developments, the State Federation of Labor would not hold its annual convention in September. This means that the convention held last year in Oakland was the last of the historic series of the old separate AFL organization.

## Pension-Labor Democrats dinner set for July 25

The seven Pension-Labor Democratic clubs of Alameda county will hold a joint meeting at 6 p.m. July 25 at the True Food cafeteria, 308 14th street, Oakland, County President C. P. Dittmar announces.

Democratic candidates will be present, and new officers of the clubs.

## CLC delegates seated

Delegates to the Central Labor Council obligated by President Al Brown at this week's meeting: James L. Allen, David C. Grundman, Mailers 18; Benjamin Herring, Nada V. Offholter, Teachers 1285.

BETTER BUSINESS Bureau B. Charles Wansley announce that the false and vicious rumor that Seeing Dogs may be obtained by saving and redeeming red cellophane tabs from cigarette packages continues to be circulated throughout the country.

## CHIROPODIST AT HEALTH COUNCIL LUNCH JULY 2

The Labor Health & Welfare Council will meet at noon Incheon Wednesday, July 23, at the Canton Ferry.

Dr. Charles Ormond of the Association of Chiropractors will discuss proposals that a chiropody be included among the services provided in health plans.

## John King labor man, says wailing and weeping Trib

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by the time the campaign gets really hot it'll be hinted that we're really Commies.

In the same Monday issue of the Tribune in which Dave Hope's mourning party over the fate of the Democratic Party infested by infiltrators was prominently displayed on the editorial page, there was to be found, if the reader conducted a search party, on page 28 the official returns from the primary election.

But the Republican Chronicle, not having any proprietor running for Governor just now, printed the sad news more prominently and added to it an article by the political editor, Earl Behrens, pointing out that the official returns show that "all but one of the Democrats running for State offices polled a larger vote than their Republican opponents. The exception was Henry Lopez, who did not crossfile in his race against Republican Secretary of State Jordan."

Cruelly Behrens added that "some Democratic statisticians" figure that in the November election Pat Brown will show a 900,000 majority over Knowland.

Which certainly makes it clear we'll be called Communists before the Knowland machines quits death-gargling.—LB

## Fee room in new site rededicated

The William P. Fee Memorial Conference Room, which was moved from the first floor of the Labor Temple to the third floor when the Central Labor Council office was moved, was rededicated Monday evening by CLC President Al Brown.

For the benefit of new delegates unfamiliar with the long career of Fee, who was assistant secretary of the old AFL Council for many years, President Brown outlined Fee's life, and told of his devotion to the labor movement.

Fee was a member of Milk Drivers 302.

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## Will Hoffa and Bridges gang face mice or men?

Under date of Friday, July 11, in this column there was an editorial discussing the danger to the labor movement inherent in the grandiose Conference on Transportation Unity which James R. Hoffa, president of the Teamsters, is forming.

That editorial, although it appeared later, since East Bay Labor Journal published only once a week, was written before the editorial on the same subject which appeared in the Oakland Tribune on Tuesday, July 8. So when our editor saw the Tribune editorial it was some days after he had written and had put in type his own editorial.

The Tribune editorial confirms the fear, expressed in our own editorial, that Hoffa's building of this big alliance was sure to stimulate the enemies of labor into demanding more rigorous legislative controls of labor unions. For the Tribune editorial clamored for passage of amendments to the Senate labor bill, declaring that "an uncontrolled Hoffa-Bridges-Curran alliance could be broken at the outset" by such amendments if the House would only get busy and act on the Senate bill. The Tribune referred sneeringly to "a few key Congressmen who are afraid of challenging labor in an election year."

The New York Times, in an editorial published July 5 which was not seen by our editor until after East Bay Labor Journal with its editorial on the subject had gone to press, said the following:

"The formation of the Conference on Transportation Unity is a serious challenge to the AFLCIO and one that may widen existing fissures in the labor movement . . . The Conference on Transportation Unity marks a setback in the Federation's drive to enforce the high standards set in its ethical practice code. The Teamsters, expelled for violation of them, continue, and expand, their close relations with AFLCIO affiliates—a violation of the spirit if not the letter of the Federation's constitution. Now, the Teamsters draw into the alliance another union expelled for corruption, the International Longshoremen's Association, and still another which was thrown out for Communist domination—Harry Bridges' Pacific Coast Longshoremen. This sort of thing is hardly a deterrent to wrongdoing."

In the New York Times issue of July 4, reporting the announcement of the forming of the Conference on Transportation Unity, Joseph A. Loftus, a Times labor reporter, said succinctly and with great accuracy that "no one doubted . . . that this had further enhanced Mr. Hoffa's power and there was no telling where it would go."

Our own opinion is that it can go all the way to hell and take the whole labor movement with it if we turn out to be mice instead of men.

## Prince Milton bumbles

The simple stupidity of the Eisenhower crowd is a constant source of amazement. With all the row that's been going on about Sherman Adams taking a lot of money for doing nothing for nobody, or something, the White House sends three military aircraft at a cost of 1400 bucks to bring Brother Milton Eisenhower and his daughter back to Washington from a fishing trip in Wisconsin.

Senator William Proxmire, Democrat, of Wisconsin, said that Brother Milton was "mooching on the Government for his personal vacation pleasure." The White House explains that the planes were sent to get that brother back for some consultations before he started on his goodwill trip to South America.

That's a feeble alibi. It has been known for many weeks that Brother Milt was going to take that trip to South America. Why couldn't he have arranged his vacation so that he'd get back at his own expense in time to start and to confer in advance?

Besides. What is this? A royal family? Can only a prince of the blood be sent on this mission? Can't the King get a public relations advisor to tell Prime Minister Adams not to take money, and to tell Prince Milton to keep out of sight?

## Teacher happy as laborer

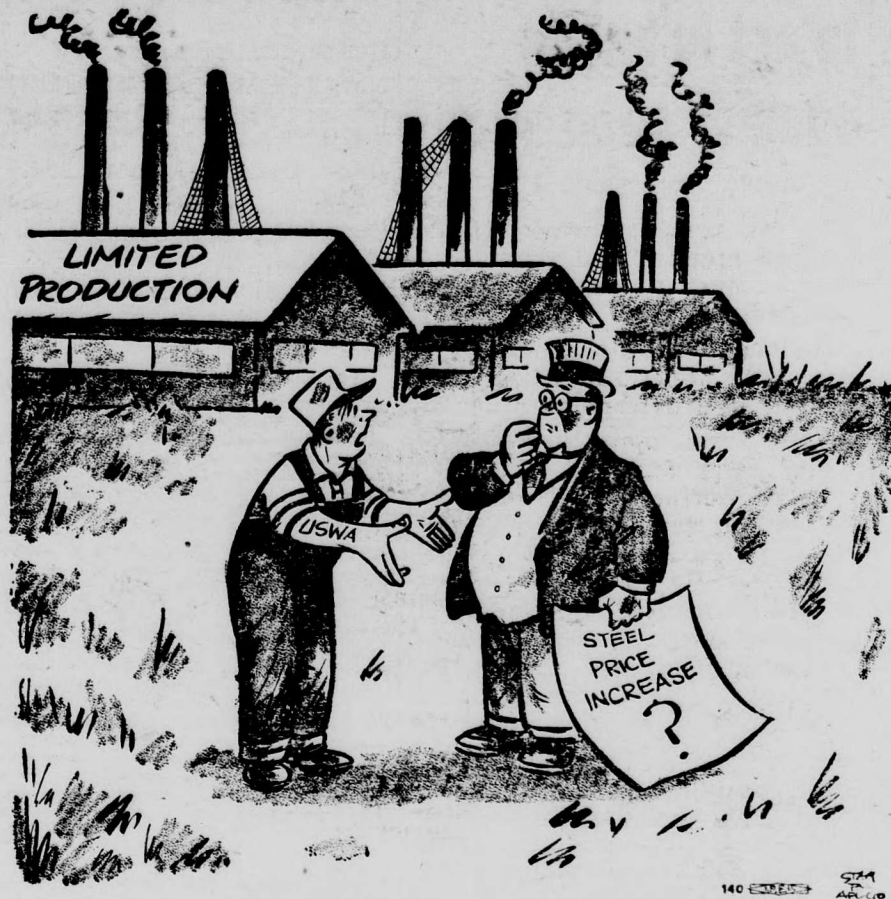
James Clark, delegate from the Oakland Teachers Federation to the Central Labor Council, rose at the meeting of the council this week and said:

"I believe I've solved this problem of the low wage paid to teachers. During vacation I've been working as a laborer and am getting \$87 a week take-home, so I think the thing for me to do is to continue working as a laborer and give up the idea of being a teacher."

Later when questioned by East Bay Labor Journal he said that since leaving high school he had taken nine years of college work preparing himself for teaching.

This looks like one of those cases when the comment can be left to our readers' judgment.

## How About Raising Production This Time?



## OPINIONS

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### TEACHERS PAY

Editor, Labor Journal:

I read my East Bay Labor Journal in regards to teachers pay raise and wonder how many teachers would trade their job with a grocery clerk or a clerical job in an office. A clerk gets 1 or 2 weeks vacation some with pay and some without, whereas teachers get 3½ months with pay and lots of them get jobs during that time.

I was foreman on a house built for husband and wife, both teachers, making \$1500 per month and no children. Not bad. Higher pay will not give the children any better teaching but will put a lot of money-hungry people in teaching only to get some of the gravy. I'm a retired carpenter by compulsion. I'll be 70 years old July 22nd on Social Security pay for me and wife \$167.80 per month which is less than ½ of what it costs to live for 2 old people who can't spend a dime for luxury. Last year I paid school taxes of \$22.45 per month which is 3 times more than I paid in 1950 when I built my 6 room house and this year it will be higher. I have not heard Mr. Ash or anyone else worry about us old people. Just lay down and die: Social Security and slow starvation.

Respectfully yours,  
ANTHONY A. OLSON,  
Orinda, California

### KAISER PLAN

Editor, Labor Journal:

Our union has sent a letter to the Kaiser Foundation Health Plan in protest against the increase of rates for subscribers and dependents 65 years of age and over.

We are hopeful that protests by other unions and the attendant publicity will compel Kaiser to cancel the increase.

Fraternal and sincerely,  
W. A. BOONE,  
Secretary-Treasurer  
American Communications Association Local 9

### RUSSIA TRIED!

Certain it is that the test of our social order is the most serious we have ever faced. It is based not alone on the making of arms, but on a truly phenomenal economic and industrial growth in the Soviet Union, plus an equally prodigious development in the field of education. In all of these areas, Russia reached the position she is in today because she worked harder at it.—Defense Secretary Neil McElroy.

### PHONY SLOGANS

Editor, Labor Journal:

The workers (The little people) who are led to believe such phony slogans as "right to work" and "high wages are the cause of inflation" should long ago have realized that they are victims of misinformation.

The cry taken up by the gullible blaming inflation on big paychecks is a fallacy that just needs correction. In the early teens of this century Ford gave his workers \$5 a day to meet costs. The cost of living has increased close to ten times since then, while the average wage is little over three times as much as Ford's five dollar day.

If Ford were alive to do the same today he would necessarily have to give \$50 a day to meet present costs; this puts inflation in somebody else's backyard, especially when we consider that automation and mass production methods are producing many times the goods produced per labor dollar in 1915. "Big paychecks" are a myth in figuring high prices, but the biggest myth lies in the false cry that inflation is caused by these non-existent high average paychecks.

The "Right to Work" issue is another false shibboleth. The deceitful title in itself shows it was devised with insidious and greedy intent to pit worker against worker and employee against employer. Should this issue become law it would be a sad day for California. Few jobs, few workers, few industries will escape the havoc of strife, strikes, dissensions, and work stoppages this issue portends. A close look at the source of this issue should disillusion those who would put their trust in its cunning catchphrases. . . .

R. E. ALLOWAY

### HE WAKED UP

A judge, back in the old days, had a reputation for favoring any company that wanted to bust a union.

The old man was dozing on his front porch one summer afternoon while some boys were playing baseball on the street.

The umpire yelled "strike!" The judge snapped out of his doze and yelled "Injunction granted!" — The ILWU Dispatcher.

### BUTCH FOR BUTCH

I'm running independently. I'm not going to endorse Knowland for Governor or Knight for Senator . . . or anyone else.—Lt. Gov. "Butch" Powers (Republican).

## LABOR, UN: THE UNFED SUNFED!

This sounds like a thriller, yet it contains in capsule form the crux of one of the most difficult problems facing the U.N.: How to finance programs of economic help where it will do the most good.

There are many programs of economic help in the world today from the 75 million dollars spent by the Ford Foundation since 1950 to the 1.5 billion dollars spent by the USSR in the past 3 years, with various U.S. projects, the Colombo Plan, the Rockefeller and Carnegie Foundations, the World Veterans Federation and the American Friends Service Committee in between.

It has been recognized that something is needed to accelerate economic development in addition to those various projects.

It is mainly the have-not countries which have argued with the have countries the need to set up a fund which would finance public projects such as the promotion of health, education, housing, transport and the like. In UN language the fund was to be called United Nations Fund for Economic Development. Someone discovered that the name would be UNFED, so it was decided to use the term Special at the beginning of the name and call the baby SUNFED.

Yet Unfed the thing is, because the three countries most likely to provide the funds to start the agency rolling, i.e. U.S.A., Canada and United Kingdom, say that they are prevented on account of their defense commitments from contributing to the Fund.

The three countries argue that, when world tension is relaxed, they will be in position to channel money into the project. To which the have-not countries reply with bitterness and not without justification that such an attitude will make them wait 'till kingdom come.

The debate still goes on. It is evident that rival projects of assistance, generous as they may be, can result in a race which would prove harmful to balanced economic growth in the under-developed countries. A multilateral development fund would offer the best guarantee against such funds being used for political purposes. This is the argument submitted by the Netherlands.

In the case of the U.S.A. it all boils down to the fact that none of us loves a rich uncle. If he gives us too little he is a miser, if he gives us too much, he's a sucker. So it goes for Uncle Sam in the world today and American participation in SUNFED could be a solution to the problem.—David Klugman, member Milk Drivers 302.

### 'Can't afford'

Some companies make a "can't afford" argument in negotiations, not because it is actually true, but for other reasons. Some do it for psychological effect, to get the union to ease up in its bargaining efforts. Some try it to see if they can get away with bluffing the union and its members. Many do it quite honestly but erroneously because they tend to be quite conservative in their financial judgments and consistently understate their own financial ability.

Some unions have responded in good faith to company claims of inability to pay by accepting small or token wage increases, only to discover at the end of the year that the company could easily have provided much larger wage raises—and apparently was well aware of that during the negotiations. — AFLCIO Collective Bargaining Report.